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PATENT APPLICATION
Atty. Docket No. 702/991620

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re application of :

AALBERTUS PIETER KROESBERGEN : SUBSTRATE WITH
Serial No. Not Yet Assigned : SUPER-ABSORBENT MATERIAL,
Filed Concurrently Herewith : METHOD FOR MANUFACTURE
THEREOF AND USE
Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania
December 6, 1999

PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Washington DC 20231

Sir:

Prior to initial examination, please amend the above-
identified patent application as follows:

IN THE SPECIFICATION:

Page 1, after the title and before line 1, insert the
following:

con of 08/442,417 filed May 16, 1995
- This is a division of U.S. Patent Application Serial
now US Pat 5,998,312 which is a 371
of PCT/NL96/00039 filed Jan 23, 1996
A1 No. 08/875,237, filed September 9, 1997

BACKGROUND OF THE INVENTION1. Field of the Invention

Page 1, before line 6, insert the following heading:

2. Description of the Related Art

Page 2, before line 8, insert the following heading:

SUMMARY OF THE INVENTION

Page 2, before line 22, insert the following:

BRIEF DESCRIPTION OF THE DRAWINGS

Fig. 1 shows a schematic diagram of preparatory steps
for manufacturing a super-absorbent powder according to prior
art; and

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Attorney Docket No. 702/991620

First Inventor or Application Identifier A. Pieter Kroesberge

Title Substrate with Super-Absorbent Material...

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APPLICATION ELEMENTS

See MPEP chapter 600 concerning utility patent application contents.

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1. ☒ * Fee Transmittal Form (e.g., PTO/SB/17)
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2. ☒ Specification [Total Pages 15]
(preferred arrangement set forth below)
- Descriptive title of the invention
 - Cross References to Related Applications
 - Statement Regarding Fed sponsored R & D
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 - Background of the Invention
 - Brief Summary of the Invention
 - Brief Description of the Drawings (if filed)
 - Detailed Description
 - Claim(s)
 - Abstract of the Disclosure
3. ☒ Drawing(s) (35 U.S.C. 113) [Total Sheets 1]
4. Oath or Declaration [Total Pages]
- a. ☐ Newly executed (original or copy)
- b. ☒ Copy from a prior application (37 C.F.R. § 1.63(d))
(for continuation/divisional with Box 16 completed)
1. ☐ **DELETION OF INVENTOR(S)**
Signed statement attached deleting inventor(s) named in the prior application, see 37 C.F.R. §§ 1.63(d)(2) and 1.33(b).

5. ☐ Microfiche Computer Program (Appendix)
6. Nucleotide and/or Amino Acid Sequence Submission
(if applicable, all necessary)
- a. ☐ Computer Readable Copy
- b. ☐ Paper Copy (identical to computer copy)
- c. ☐ Statement verifying identity of above copies

ACCOMPANYING APPLICATION PARTS

7. ☐ Assignment Papers (cover sheet & document(s))
8. ☐ 37 C.F.R. § 3.73(b) Statement of Attorney
(when there is an assignee) ☐ Power of Attorney
9. ☐ English Translation Document (if applicable)
10. ☐ Information Disclosure Statement (IDS)/PTO-1449 ☐ Copies of IDS Citations
11. ☒ Preliminary Amendment
12. ☒ Return Receipt Postcard (MPEP 503)
(Should be specifically itemized)
13. ☐ * Small Entity Statement(s) ☐ Statement filed in prior application, Status still proper and desired (PTO/SB/09-12)
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16. If a CONTINUING APPLICATION, check appropriate box, and supply the requisite information below and in a preliminary amendment:

☐ Continuation ☒ Divisional ☐ Continuation-in-part (CIP) of prior application No: 08,875,237

Prior application information: Examiner B: Copenhaver Group / Art Unit: 1771

For CONTINUATION or DIVISIONAL APPS only: The entire disclosure of the prior application, from which an oath or declaration is supplied under Box 4b, is considered a part of the disclosure of the accompanying continuation or divisional application and is hereby incorporated by reference. The incorporation can only be relied upon when a portion has been inadvertently omitted from the submitted application parts.

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PATENT APPLICATION TRANSMITTAL LETTER

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Transmitted herewith for filing is the patent application of: Aalbertus Pieter KROESBERGEN

Entitled: "Substrate with Super-Absorbent Material, Method for Manufacture Thereof and Use"

Enclosed are: X one drawing sheet
 An Assignment of the invention to:
X Declaration (copy)
 Small Entity Statement under 37 C.F.R.
 § 1.9 and 1.27

CLAIMS AS FILED

	<u>No. Filed</u>	<u>No. Extra</u>		<u>Small Entity Rate</u>	<u>Non-Small Entity Rate</u>	<u>Charge</u>
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"Substrate with Super-Absorbent Material, Method for
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Group Art Unit : 1725
Examiner : Jonathan J. Johnson

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RESPONSE

Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed July 29, 2003, Applicant hereby submits
an accompanying Petition for Extension of Time, Declarations Under 37 CFR §1.132, and the
following remarks.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 2 of this paper.

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--CONTINUING DATA AS CLAIMED BY APPLICANT -

THIS APPLN IS A 371 OF PCT/NL96/00039 01/23/96

AND A CON OF 08/442,417 05/16/95 ABN

WHICH IS A DIV OF 08/875,237 09/09/97 PAT 5,998,312--

The second listed foreign application number is incorrect and should read as follows:

--NETHERLANDS 1000572 6/15/95--

No fee is expected to be due since these corrections are not due to any error on Applicant's part.

Respectfully submitted,

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